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J-Scope gets new editor

By Lt. Col. Dave Thurston, USAF
J-Scope Managing Editor

This edition of the J-Scope marks the end of an era and the beginning of a new chapter for the Joint Staff's unique electronic publication.

Air Force Technical Sergeant Lee Roberts, the J-Scope's award-winning creator and founding editor, is

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On a personal note...

The accompanying story is basic news – someone completes a tour, someone else arrives to replace him. But for the managing editor of the J-Scope, it's far more than that. The "someone" leaving is more than just an employee, another cog in the wheel, easily replaced. Lee Roberts is an extraordinary NCO who hit the ground running the day he arrived and never let up. He epitomizes the term "self starter" and has made my professional life infinitely easier because of his talent, skill, reliability, self-sufficiency, dedication and professionalism. He will be missed. Good luck and God's speed, Lee!

Lt. Col. Dave Thurston
J-Scope Managing Editor



**Tech. Sgt. Lee
Roberts**



**Tech. Sgt. Anne
Proctor**

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moving on to a new assignment at headquarters U.S. Southern Command in Miami. His replacement, Air Force Tech. Sgt. Anne M. Proctor, arrived this week from headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, Va.

Roberts, a 1992 graduate of the Defense Information School, came to

the Joint Staff in April 1996 from Seymour-Johnson Air Force Base where he was editor of the base newspaper and noncommissioned officer in charge of public affairs plans and programs for the base's 4th Wing. Within 30 days of his arrival, he designed, developed and began publishing the first-ever fully electronic weekly newspaper in the Department of Defense. Since then, the J-Scope has become a model for other publications and a valuable source of information for the Joint Staff.

During his three-year tour, Roberts won numerous awards, was recognized for both his professional abilities and community spirit, and earned an associates degree in public affairs from the Community College of the Air Force. Besides single handedly writing most of the J-Scope

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content, his articles were frequently published in other local newspapers and worldwide through the American Forces Information Service. Roberts is also a talented photographer whose work appeared on the cover of American Legion magazine and in other publications. He was particularly recognized for outstanding photography in support of the Women in Service For America Memorial dedication scrapbook.

His replacement,



Anne M. "Annie" Proctor, brings her own well-deserved reputation in the Air Force public affairs community. A Michigan native, she earned an associate

degree in communication-journalism (cum laude) and is nearing completion of an undergraduate degree in sociology and psychology. Proctor entered the Air Force

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Anne Proctor takes over as editor of the J-Scope next week. She comes to the Joint Staff from Air Combat Command Public Affairs at Langley Air Force Base, Va. She is the 1998 Air Force Public Affairs NCO of the Year. (Photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts)

in March 1986 and has completed numerous Defense Information School and professional military education courses, including finishing Air Force NCO Academy

as a Distinguished Graduate. She most recently served as NCO in charge of internal information for Air Combat Command and was the command-wide newspaper consultant for 25 publications. Proctor is the 1998 Air Force NCO of the Year for Public Affairs. She is married and has a 6-year-old daughter.

Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Joseph W. Ralston hosts an end-of-tour award ceremony for Roberts 10:30 a.m. April 8 at the Chairman's Dining Room.

First NATO strikes aimed at Serb air defenses

By Linda D. Kozaryn
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The first wave of NATO Operation Allied Force primarily targeted Yugoslavia's extensive air defense system, according to the Pentagon's top leaders.

"The air defense system in Yugoslavia is very capable and it poses a considerable threat to NATO aircraft involved in the operation," said U.S. Army Gen. Hugh Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. "Although we have no indication of casualties to U.S. or NATO forces at this point, we're taking all measures to reduce the risk to



Photo by Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Mamie M. Burke
Gen. Henry H. Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, addresses ongoing NATO air strikes against Serb forces during a Pentagon press briefing Thursday.

pilots and air crews. But there is no such thing as a risk free military operation."

Shelton and Defense

Secretary William S. Cohen addressed a packed Pentagon press conference here about three hours after NATO air strikes began

March 24. Security concerns limited the amount of operational detail they would discuss, since the operation was still underway and allied forces remained at risk. They also said it was also too early to discuss damage assessment.

Sea-launched cruise missiles from U.S. and British naval vessels and air-launched cruise missiles from U.S. B-52 bombers began striking military targets throughout Yugoslavia at about 2 p.m. EST, Cohen said. The strikes were part of very carefully calibrated,

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integrated air campaign, he said.

NATO fighters, bombers, tankers, surveillance and other aircraft from 11 NATO nations are participating in the operation. Cohen said. All U.S. and NATO aircraft returned safely from the first wave of attacks, he noted. NATO officials in Brussels denied reports that a NATO plane had been shot down. Cohen said an air-to-air exchange had occurred between



Photo by Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Mamie M. Burke
Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen answers questions about ongoing NATO air strikes against Serb forces during a Pentagon press briefing Thursday.

allied and Serb forces, but could not confirm reports that a Serb MiG fighter had been shot down.

"We are making every reasonable ef-

fort to protect our forces while eliminating, carefully defined military targets," Cohen said. "NATO's forces are well trained, they are well

led and they are committed to working for a Europe that is stable and secure."

The initial attacks were followed by other strikes by NATO aircraft, including U.S. B-2 bombers, Cohen said. The mission marked the debut of the B-2 bomber, which the secretary reported had performed according to its capabilities. "It's a stealthy aircraft that can fly in all weather with considerable ordnance aboard," he said. "We are satisfied that it was able to conduct itself and carry out its mission

accordingly."

NATO had an extensive target list, planned with great care, Cohen said. NATO authorities determined the military value of the targets in terms of the threat they pose to people in the region, he said. "We're doing our level best to minimize civilian casualties."

Shelton stressed that NATO is exercising extraordinary care to avoid civilian casualties or other unintended damage. But, he said, "you can never eliminate risk

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in a military operation.”

The first wave of attacks focused “on degrading air defense systems in order to reduce the risk and the threat to our pilots and air crews in subsequent operations,” Shelton said. The strikes also targeted command and control systems and the military forces Yugoslavia is using to suppress Kosovar Albanians.

“We are attacking the military infrastructure President [Slobodan] Milosevic and his forces are using to repress and kill in-

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Photo by Air Force Senior Airman Jeffrey Allen

An A-10 Thunderbolt from the 81st Fighter Squadron, Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany, taxis before flying air strike missions against targets in Kosovo Thursday. Members of the 81st FS are deployed to Aviano Air Base, Italy, supporting NATO Operation Allied Force.

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nocent people,” Cohen stressed. “NATO forces are not attacking the people of Yugoslavia. They are attacking the military forces that are responsible for the killing and the carnage in Kosovo. It is Yugoslavia’s protracted campaign of military repression of the Kosovar Albanians that has made this action necessary to avoid humanitarian disaster and prevent the spread of instability in Europe.”

NATO and the international community “worked hard” to achieve a diplomatic solution, Cohen stressed. After two rounds of peace talks in Paris, however, Kosovar Albanians chose peace, while Yugoslavia chose continued aggression.

“The Yugoslav army, under orders from President Milosevic, intensified its brutal attacks, killing people, burning villages and creating a flood of refugees,” Cohen said. “While the negotiators tried for peace, the Yugoslav army launched a force of more than 300 tanks, backed by hundreds of artillery pieces and armored personnel carriers to crush the Kosovar Albanians. NATO could not allow President Milosevic to use the peace talks as a cover for his savage plunder.”

NATO air strikes are designed to reduce Serbian military forces’ ability to continue offensive operations against the Kosovars, Cohen said. “There is united resolve among all 19 NATO members,” he said. “We would like very much Mr. Milosevic to stop the slaughter of innocent people. In the event that he fails to do so, all of the NATO allies intend to continue

the effort to damage his capacity to wage this war against the Kosovar people.”

If Milosevic persists in his attacks on the Kosovars, Shelton said, “he will continue to lose the capabilities that he has — that’s air defense, command and control, tanks — the full range of military capabilities will continue to go down.”

Shelton saluted America’s men and women in uniform who are taking part in Operation Allied Force as “well trained and dedicated professionals. “I’m confident that they will continue to carry out their assigned mission with the skill and courage that are the hallmark of U.S. armed forces,” the general said. “Our thoughts are with these brave men and women, and their families, as they go in harm’s way in pursuit of peace.”

Fair winds, following seas

Army Maj. Gen. John J. Maher (left), J-3 Operations Directorate, vice director, presents the Defense Meritorious Service Medal March 19 to Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer James R. Bertine, flag writer to the J-3 director, administrative supervisor to the J-3 military secretariat, and the Joint Staff's Navy senior enlisted advisor, during a retirement ceremony at the U.S. Navy Memorial. Attending the event were Sharon Galm; brother, Paul Kawanda; and nephew Devin Kawanda. (Photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts)



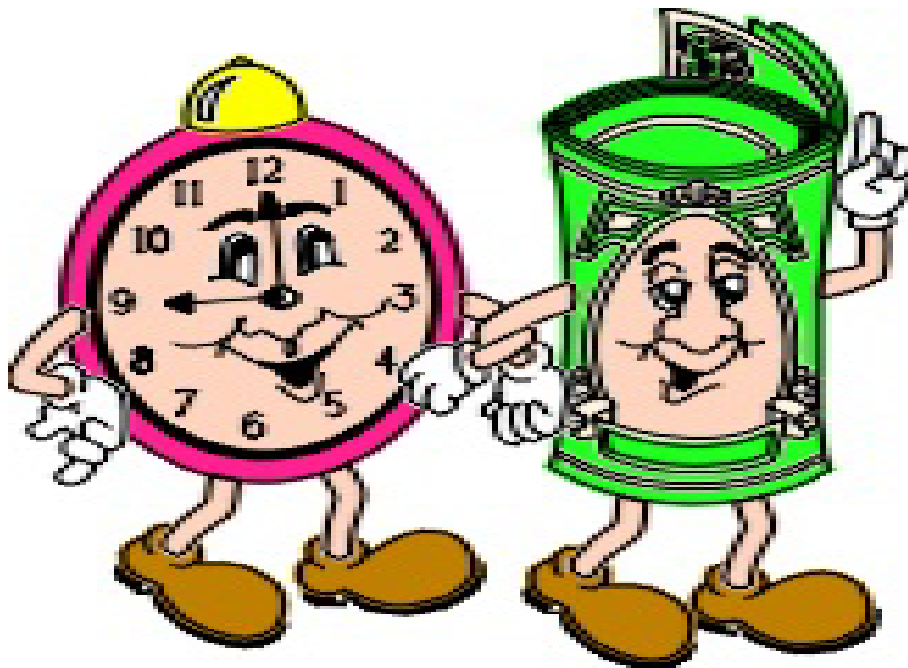
Official says pay will be OK, despite Y2K

By Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Extinction looms for the last “Y2K bugs” that may be hiding in DoD payroll systems, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service director said in a recent interview.

All DFAS payroll computer software has proved Year 2000 compliant and all will be operating on compliant hardware by March 31, Gary W. Amlin said. “I am very confident that all DoD civilians, military members and retirees will in fact get paid after Jan. 1, 2000,” he said. The service pays 5 million people per month.



The Year 2000 problem, nicknamed “Y2K” and “millennium bug,” refers to a past computer industry practice of writing years with just two digits — 1999

would be “99.” Because of this digital shorthand, on Jan. 1, 2000, some computer systems might treat “00” as “1900” or just shut down. Almost all systems —

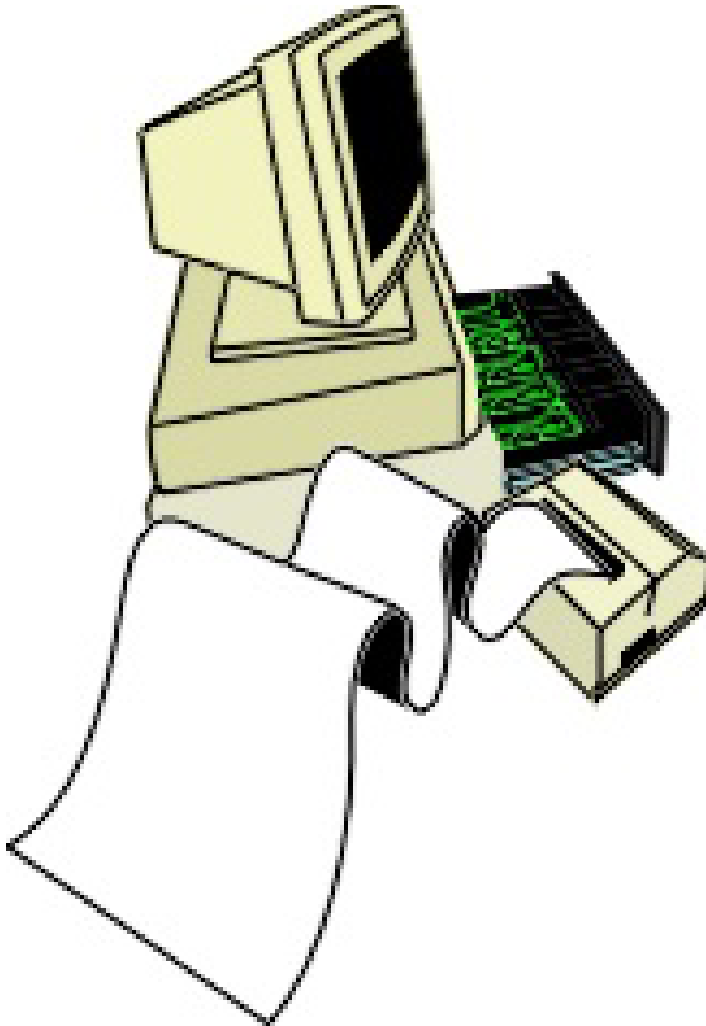
there are an estimated 10,000 just in DoD — are vulnerable and need to be checked and then, if necessary, fixed to handle the year change correctly. A computer system that can recognize the year 2000 is called “compliant.”

Amlin said the service began work on the problem three years ago. “Last year, it became our No. 1 priority,” he said during an interview. “I feel confident we’ll do extremely well.”

But DFAS doesn’t pay military members, civilians and retirees on its own. It receives personnel informa-

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tion from the various personnel agencies. DFAS workers compute the pay and send the information to the Federal Reserve Bank, which then distributes payments electronically to thousands of financial institutions.

"The [Federal Reserve Bank] is compliant from a system standpoint and we will continue to test with them," Amlin said. DFAS started end-to-end testing of the payroll system this month. "[We're going] from personnel

system to payroll to Federal Reserve Bank to financial institutions," he said.

Tests show the computer interface between DFAS and the Federal Reserve works, he remarked. The Federal Reserve Bank will support testing of Y2K solutions with selected stateside financial institutions, overseas DoD credit unions, and NationsBank, the defense contractor that provides banking services to all DoD personnel overseas.

The finance and accounting service is also working on con-

tingency plans in case an unexpected Y2K crawls out. For example, back-up computer tapes will be on standby at the Federal Reserve Bank in case there's a data transmission problem. In addition, the service will have an extra stockpile of checks in case individual banks cannot post deposits.

"If an institution does not electronically receive a transaction, we can mail a check," he said. Depending on the situation, checks might be

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for the pay of one person, a handful or all the financial institution's DoD customers.

Amlin said the U.S. financial community is one of the better prepared in the country as far as Y2K problems are concerned. "A recent congressional study said the finance area is a leader in Y2K," he said. He said service members, DoD civilians and retirees should not stockpile money. "I'm not going to go out and store cash," he said.

Amlin recommends service members, DoD civilians and retirees ask their financial institutions what they are doing to prevent

Y2K problems. "I would imagine most [financial institutions] will include what they are doing on the monthly account statements," he said. "But if you don't see it, you should ask."

He also recommended doing any financial transaction early, if possible. "If you have to change allotments, change addresses, set up new accounts, you should do it early and not wait until December," he said.

Amlin has alerted the DFAS staff not to plan for holiday season leave this year. The service will try to "clear the pipeline" of financial transactions by late December, he said. The staff will stand by at year's end to handle any system problems that may arise.

Joint Staff sailors can find guidance with new senior enlisted advisor

By Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts,
USAF
J-Scope Editor

WASHINGTON - Sailors assigned to the Joint Staff have a new senior enlisted advisor they can rely on for personal and career guidance.

Master Chief Petty Of-

ficer Glen A. Klopfenstein, the senior presidential communicator in the J-3 Operations Directorate's Washington-Moscow National Military Command System Operations Division, has replaced Senior Chief Petty Officer James R. Bertine as the staff's top Navy enlisted person.

Klopfenstein, who works in a restricted area within the National Military Command Center, said



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it's his goal to make himself readily available to any sailor on the staff who needs advice, guidance, or just wants to talk. "I'll deal with military, job related, and personal issues, whatever the enlisted people need me to do," he said. "My goal as senior enlisted advisor for the Joint Staff is to assist all personnel, officer and enlisted, whenever I can. I am looking forward to serving them as best I can."

Klopfenstein said



Photos by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts

Navy Master Chief Petty Officer Glen A. Klopfenstein, the senior presidential communicator in the Washington-Moscow National Military Command System Operations Division, works at a computer workstation Tuesday.

he is a phone call away (697-9240) and hopes sailors will call him when they need his help. But he wants sailors to first try to work out problems through the normal chain of com-

mand. If that isn't possible, or if someone feels more comfortable talking to him, he said he welcomes phone calls.

A 26-year Navy veteran and Wolcott, Ind., native, he describes himself as a normal, down-to-earth individual that takes a common-sense approach to taking care of sailors.

He said he loves a hands-on approach, and since his arrival has visited numerous enlisted personnel. He said he is im-

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pressed with everyone's professionalism and he's even more motivated to help sailors succeed at work and in their private lives.

Klopfenstein encourages sailors to give their all at work, but not to lose sight of their personal and professional careers. It's important to make the right career decisions but also balance them with personal ones, he said.

The master chief himself has a bachelor's degree in occupational education from Wayland Baptist University and a master's degree in organizational management from the Univer-



sity of Phoenix. He said he waited a long time to get his education and wants sailors to benefit from the educational opportunities the military provides and hopes they will at least take a class or two a year.

"You need to get involved early," he said, "Even as well as we train people

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Glen A. Klopfenstein

*Joint Staff Navy Senior
Enlisted Advisor*

having that degree just makes all the difference. It improves everything."

During his career, Klopfenstein has served as a cryptologic technician in assignments at the Naval Security Group Activity in northwest Virginia; Naval Communications Station at Diego Garcia; Naval Secu-

rity Group at Edzell, Scotland; as an instructor at Pensacola, Fla.; Naval Security Group Activity at Adak, Alaska; at Camp Smith, Hawaii; and as an instructor at the Cryptologic Division Officer Course at the Naval Security Station in Washington. His last assignment was at the Office of Naval Intelligence at Suitland, Md. A master training specialist, he has received three Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medals and three achievement medals.

He and his wife Elizabeth have two children, Graeme, 20, and Elyssa, 13. His brother Gale is also a Navy master chief and is stationed at Cecil Field in Jacksonville, Fla.

News briefs

Tax assistance

The Pentagon Tax Center operates through April 15 in Room BC1041. Appointments are available Monday through Friday.

The Fort Myer, Va., Tax Center in Bldg. 228 is open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Walk-in service is available for 1040A and EZ. An appointment is required for the 1040 long form.

The tax centers prepare and electronically file income-tax returns for active-duty and retired military members, their spouses and dependents. The service is free and con-

fidential. A military ID card, W-2s, Social Security card and additional tax information is necessary for preparation of taxes.

For more information, call the Pentagon Tax Center at **(703) 614-1531** or the Fort Myer Tax Center at **(703) 696-7194**.

Assistance fund

The 27th Annual Air Force Assistance Fund Campaign continues through Wednesday. The campaign raises funds from Air Force personnel and the proceeds benefit Air Force retirees, active duty members, reservists, national guard members, retirees,

and their family members in need.

The assistance fund does not receive any taxpayers' support. Administrative and fund-raising costs are among the lowest of any charitable organization in the nation, with more than 95 percent of all contributions directly assisting Air Force members and their families.

The Joint Staff project officer for the AFAF campaign is Maj. Sammy Fong, J-8 Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment Directorate. He can be reached in Room 1D940 or by calling **695-4657**.

Unit key workers will

be contacting Joint Staff Air Force personnel in the coming weeks. Make a commitment to caring for those in need.

Scholarships

The Naval Officers' Wives' Club of Washington is awarding \$1,000 scholarships to Navy dependents. Applicants must plan to attend an accredited school on a full-time basis for the purpose of pursuing an undergraduate degree commencing in the 1999-2000 academic year. The scholarships are 100 percent

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merit based and are to be applied toward tuition only.

Eligibility requirements: Applicant must be a dependent child of an active duty or retired Naval service member whose parent is a current member of NOWC in Washington or serving in a command or residing within the boundaries of the Naval District of Washington.

Applicant must be in his or her senior year of (or have graduated from) an accredited high school or its equivalent.

He or she must also be applying to or presently enrolled as a full-time student in one of the following accredited institutions: a two-or four-year undergraduate college, visual or performing arts school or vocational and technical school.

Applicant must be a U.S. citizen and possess a valid military dependent I.D. card.

To apply, write the Naval Officers' Wives Club of Washington, care of Mary Bingham, 1412 B. Wright Circle, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, D.C., 20336, to request an application form.

Completed applications must be postmarked to the same address by April 15.

Women's Memorial notes

The Women in Military Service For America is celebrating Women's History Month with "brown bag lunches" at the Women's Memorial Theater at Arlington National Cemetery from noon to 1 p.m. every Tuesday.

Tuesday: "Meeting the Leadership Challenge of Equal Opportunity in the 21st Century," a seminar led by a leading behavioral leadership

specialist and DoD consultant.

Call **(703) 533-1155** for guaranteed seating.

South parking changes

Several areas of South Parking have changed until August due to the Pentagon Renovation Program.

Affected are lanes 16 and 17; GSR permit holders. Due to the limited space for delivery vehicles in the AE Drive, the area adjacent to the drive is now for staging vehicles making deliveries to the Pentagon. The first 40 parking spaces will be barricaded and realigned for delivery vehicles.

The following changes have been made to accomodate permit holders being displaced:

Lane 6: H/4M is now H/U.

Lane 9A: T is now 4M.

Lane 18: O is now GSR.

Lane 19: U is now O.

Lane 20B: 4M is now T.

The password paradox: **insecure security**

By Lt. Col. John P. Kashishian, USA
Joint Staff Information
Resource Management
Office

No matter what security precautions are added to Joint Staff computer systems, poorly chosen passwords can allow unauthorized access. Experience shows that most computer systems are vulnerable to some sort of password guessing. In most computer net-

works, 25 to 30 percent of passwords can be easily guessed. Password guessing isn't just a matter of finding words, but deductive methods to determine the most likely passwords for specific circumstances.

Some simple, initial deductions are easily explained. In many instances, an account locks a user out after three failed attempts within an hour... so hackers must choose

their first three guesses carefully. A good first choice is the user's user ID. This is the most common insecure password in use. A good second choice is derived from the user's name and names of family

In the case of the Joint Staff, typical military words such as, "Airborne, Ranger, Airforce1, Falcon, Enterprise, Tomcat, Semperfi, and Devildog" are very common weak passwords.

members. A good third choice is a simple wordlist from a common hand-held dictionary.

In some cases hackers will use the personality of the individual and or the organization. In the case of the Joint Staff, typical military words such as, "Airborne, Ranger, Airforce1, Falcon, Enterprise, Tomcat,

Semperfi, and Devildog" are very common weak passwords. Poorly chosen passwords in any of these three categories represent the greatest security danger, and are where the largest numbers of passwords are cracked.

A strong password usually has 8 to 12 characters, cannot be found in the English dictionary, has a combination of upper and lower case characters, is combined with punctuation

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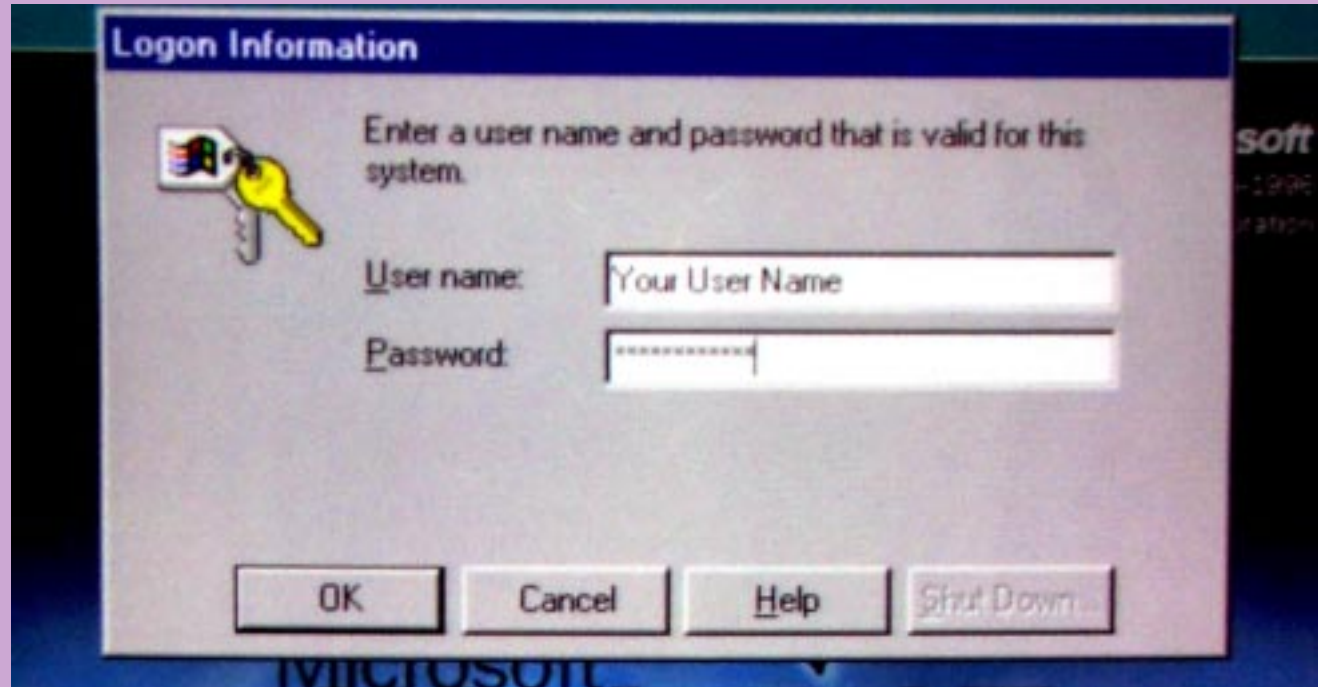
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(.,"?!) and/or symbols (\$, *, @,) — for example: W@linaYS — or (We all live in a Yellow Submarine)”

A good password can withstand a certain amount of password guessing or cracking attempts.

The amount of patience an intruder has is finite. Can your password pass the test? If not, change it now! You can, with no cost, improve our password security and reverse the Paradox.



Make your password pass the test

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- combined with punctuation (.,"?!) and/or symbols (\$, *, @,)
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J-Scope feedback

The following comments have recently been E-mailed to the J-Scope by our readers.

“The comment about the fur coat advertisement made by the ‘Animal Rights’ activist was ludicrous and absurd. I don’t think raccoons are on the brink of extinction and the J-Scope does NOT need such comments.”

“In reference to the comments in today’s J-Scope (19 Mar 99) the ‘animal rights activist’ needs to get a life. That person probably is concerned also about today’s ad ‘Roommate wanted.’”

“In response to the indignant response in the March 19 J-Scope concerning the classified ad for the fur coat, my response would

be ‘Lighten up!’ I understand the writer’s position as an animal rights activist, but to suggest that J-Scope’s next step would be to advertise escort services and abortion clinics is not just ludicrous, it is overly absurd. our society has become too “thin-skinned” and this over-sensitivity has crept into our defense establishment. The J-Scope exists as a forum to support our efforts, not as an avenue to turn on each other and snipe away. The classified ad in question is free enterprise, whether one agrees with the ‘cultivation’ of fur coats or not, and should not be seen as an endorsement of the perceived evils of the fur industry.”

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**Letters to the editor
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the “J-Scope” address.**

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The following comments have recently been E-mailed to the J-Scope by our readers.

“So glad to see that you did not buckle under to the letter from ‘animal rights activist’ concerning the sale of a fur coat. While we respect and sometimes admire those who are fervent in their beliefs, we must be certain that the rights of all persons are respected. While this person equated the fur coat ad to an ad for an abortion clinic, one could also equate that ‘activists’ letter to a letter from a Neo-Nazi group protesting an EO (equal opportunity) advertisement.”

“I’ve got three words for the ‘animal rights activist’.....get over it! Shall we not advertise cars

that aren’t made in the United States for fear of offending someone? Or, maybe not advertising for roommates because we may discriminate against someone due to gender, etc. How about no classified ads for anything out of fear of bothering some freak for some reason or another. Gee, and what do you suppose we would be able to advertise? Nadda. I lived in London while the huge fur ban animal rights activities were in full swing there; women getting their fur coats spray painted while walking down the streets by these ‘activists.’ Not sure I’m comfortable with our background clearance checking abilities on this one. You just keep doing what you do, you’re the best.



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Sailor of the year

Army Maj. Gen. John J. Maher III (Left), J-3 Operations Directorate vice director, presents the Joint Service Commendation Medal March 19 to Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Todd Alan Soper, the Joint Staff Sailor of the Year for 1998, during an award ceremony at the Navy Memorial in Washington. Soper's wife Debbie; daughter Haleigh, 8; and parents, Ted and Ellen Soper, from St. Petersburg, Fla., attended the event. (Photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts)



Photo by Army Maj. Bill Bigelow

End-of-tour award ceremony

Army Lt. Col. Paul A. Raggio (Right), Chairman's Legislative Affairs Office, deputy legislative assistant, presents the Joint Meritorious Civilian Service Award Thursday to Renae C. Yergan-Willis during a luncheon and award ceremony at Theismann's Restaurant in Alexandria, Va. Yergan-Willis' husband Phillip; parents, James and Peggy Dorsey, and sisters Tamica Dorsey and Wanda Murray attended the event. Yergan-Willis served four chairmen over the last 10 years.



Photo by Army Maj. Bill Bigelow

End-of-tour award ceremony

Army Lt. Col. Paul A. Raggio (Right), Chairman's Legislative Affairs Office, deputy legislative assistant, presents the Defense Meritorious Service Medal Thursday to Army Staff Sgt. Taras N. K. Dorsey during a luncheon and award ceremony at Theismann's Restaurant in Alexandria, Va. Dorsey's sister, Army Master Sgt. Deb Flowers, attended the event.



Photo by Army Maj. Bill Bigelow

End-of-tour award ceremony

Rear Adm. Michael L. Cowan (Left), Joint Staff Surgeon, presents Air Force Col. Marvin D. Meinders, Joint Staff Logistics Medical Readiness Division, the Defense Superior Service Medal March 19 during an end-of-tour ceremony at the Flag Room. Meinders' wife, Sara; daughters, Sara and Kathryn; father, Millege; stepmother, Jane; and sisters, Martha Baldwin and Mary Lou Meinders-Stoner; attended the event.



HOMETOWN NEWS RELEASES

If you are recognized for winning awards, promotions, transfers, education and training achievements, and participation in military exercises, fill out a Hometown News Release. is easy. Army and Air Force members can fill out a HNR by obtaining a copy of DD Form 2266 or using the computer generated version of Delrina Form Flow. Also, Navy members can fill out a NAVSO 5724/1 form.

Your friends and family back home will appreciate reading about your accomplishments. All active-duty and civilian workers are eligible and the process

Participants should send the accomplished form to Public Affairs with attached copy of any award citation.

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Submitting Classified Ads

Joint Staff active duty and civilian personnel are eligible to advertise a one-time sale of personal items, no longer than 20 words in length.

Only one submission is allowed per family per week and should include sponsor's name, duty section, duty and home phone number. However, the ads only include a person's home phone number.

Please indicate what section the ad should be in -- autos or boats for sale, miscellaneous, yard or garage sale, car pool, houses for sale, or roommate wanted. Send ad submissions via E-mail to the "J-Scope" address by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday each week, or drop off at Public Affairs, Room 2E839. Ads will run only once and must be renewed by E-mail each week.

Miscellaneous

Fur coat for sale

Selling full-length, fur coat. Coat is a dyed raccoon. There are

leather inserts to give it a layered look. Size small, 43-and one-half inches long, sleeves 17-and one-half inches across from underarm to underarm.



The underneath of the arms is leather, no fur. Coat is in beautiful condition with no damage. Asking \$200. Call (703) 921-1301.

Motorcycle parts

Two new fiber glass midsize cowling, uncut, for a 1989 ZX10 Kawasaki, \$300 or best offer.

Tires on rims, in great condition for 1989 ZX10 Kawasaki, \$400, or best offer. Call (202) 339-2905.

Autos

1992 Tiara Ford Econoline Conversion Van - 5.0 V-8

Under 75,000 miles, power windows, locks, AM/FM cassette, captain's chairs, seats seven, rear foldown bed/bench seat, aluminum wheels, front and rear AC, ABS, luggage rack, cruise control, adjustable steering wheel. Asking \$7,990. Call (301)638-4975.

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Wanted

Skilled softball player

Looking for skilled softball player for men's team in competitive Fairfax County league. Team will play Friday nights starting April 23. If interested call (703) 533-7832.

Roommate wanted

Roommate wanted by mid April to share three bedroom, two-and one-half bath townhouse in Alexandria, Va. Home is less than five miles from the Pentagon. All the amenities you can imagine. Call (703) 845-3742 for more information.

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